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**MEMORANDUM FOR:** General Allen

**SUBJECT :** Report on Data Support Activity

In view of the fact that "data base" is still a timely subject consuming a varying amount of time throughout the community, I am providing you with a brief summary of the developments in the DCI's Staff since you requested me to assume responsibility for the IC Data Support Group.

1. The requested personnel slots have been reduced from 14 to 6. Related to this is the agreement that CIA will provide the services of the necessary computer analysts formerly carried on the IC Table of Organization.

2. [ ] in addition to other duties, is providing IC liaison with the COINS Working Group.

3. I have presented to the IRAC Working Group a proposal to review community data requirements and work toward a better CIRIS or alternative base. I have discussed this with [ ] and suggested he name a Chairman.

4. Arrangements have been made through DOD Comptroller to furnish a copy of the FYDP current and historical tapes on a regular basis. This is a first.

5. [ ] arranged for a software package to enable both CIRIS and FYDP data to be displayed in a variety of desired formats.

a. Responses for CIRIS and FYDP data in a variety of formats can now be satisfied within 24 to 48 hours. (Note: We have had a long-standing problem of timeliness and accuracy of the initial CIRIS input data. This has precluded some responsiveness and usefulness in CIRIS performance. I do not expect this problem to

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disappear. Data inputs requested must be better rationalized and hopefully if paragraph 3 above can be implemented, progress will be made.)

b. It is also possible now to graphically plot on a line chart up to four categories of data.

c. A methodology has been developed to convert FYDP current dollars to constant dollars, reflecting any selected year as the base year, and providing output (also a tape subject to software application) by individual or ranges of appropriation categories and by program.

d. A similar methodology has been developed to forecast and display outlays by program, appropriation, or Agency, using DOD factors. At their request, we have been in conference with OMB on this subject.

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e. I have requested [ ] to formally communicate again with all IC units to determine their data requirements and provide a report to me for consideration.

f. A recommendation has been prepared on the pending item before the Management Committee to establish an ADP Resource Allocation System throughout the Agency.

